

CREED SPEAKING

The purpose of the Creed Speaking Contest is to develop the ability of beginning FFA members to demonstrate their interpretation and self-expression of the FFA Creed.

Objectives

The student will be able to:

1. Memorize and recite the FFA Creed.
2. Present the FFA Creed using his/her own interpretation, self-expression, and delivery.
3. Experience speaking before a group.
4. Communicate effectively with others.
5. Develop self-confidence in speaking before an audience.

Contest Rules

1. This contest is limited to FFA members in good standing who are enrolled in the agriculture program for the first time and who are either in the ninth or tenth grade.
2. Each contestant must recite the FFA Creed from memory.
3. A short introduction may be given; however, it must be limited to giving the title, author, adoption date, and revision date.
4. No closing statement or comments are permitted.
5. The presentation will be given without the use of a microphone.
6. The time limit is four minutes. Any contestant taking more time will be disqualified.
7. The number of state creed speaking entries from each district is listed in the Guidelines under Allocation of Teams From Each District.
8. Ten (10) points shall be deducted for each added or deleted word. A Reader other than the judge will be used to check the wording and determine mistakes.

CREED SPEAKING CONTEST - FORM 32 **JUDGES' SCORE SHEET**

| | | Speaking Order | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Items To Be Scored | Points Allowed | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 1. VOICE | 100 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. STAGE PRESENCE | 100 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. POWER OF EXPRESSION | 200 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. GENERAL EFFECT | 100 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL SCORE | 500 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Adding or Deleting Deductions (10 points per word) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NET SCORE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CONTESTANT'S RANK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CONTESTANT NUMBER | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Judge's A Placing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Judge's B Placing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Judge's C Placing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total of Placings | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FINAL RATING | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

ELIGIBILITY: The contest is open to FFA members in good standing who are enrolled for their first year in vocational agriculture and are in either ninth or tenth grade.
 PRESENTATION: Each contestant must recite from memory, the FFA Creed, without any closing comments. A short introduction may be given; however, it must be limited to giving the title, author, adoption date, and revision date. Any contestant using more than four minutes will be disqualified. Presentation will be given without a microphone.

Creed Speaking Contest

1. **VOICE** includes: (100 points)
Quality, pitch, force, articulation, pronunciation.
2. **STAGE PRESENCE** includes: (100 points)
Personal appearance, poise and body posture, attitude, confidence, personality, ease before audience.
3. **POWER OF EXPRESSION** includes: (200 points)
Fluency, emphasis, directness, sincerity, communicative ability, conveyance of thought and meaning.
4. **GENERAL EFFECT** includes: (100 points)
Extent to which the speech was understandable, convincing, pleasing, and held attention.